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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. CP16-489-000]

Notice of Request under Blanket Authorization: WBI Energy Transmission, Inc.

Take notice that on August 5, 2016, WBI Energy Transmission, Inc. (WBI Energy), 1250 West Century Avenue, Bismarck, North Dakota 58503, filed in Docket No. CP16-489-000 a prior notice request pursuant to § 157.205, 157.210, and 157.216(b) of the Commission's regulations under the Natural Gas Act (NGA), as amended, requesting authorization to construct, operate, and abandon certain natural gas facilities in McKenzie and Williams Counties, North Dakota. WBI Energy states that the proposed activities will allow it to deliver 62,000 dekatherms per day of natural gas transportation service. WBI Energy estimates the cost of the proposed facilities to be approximately \$18.4 million, all as more fully set forth in the application which is on file with the Commission and open to public inspection. The filing may also be viewed on the web at <http://www.ferc.gov> using the "eLibrary" link. Enter the docket number excluding the last three digits in the docket number field to access the document. For assistance, please contact FERC Online Support at [FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov](mailto:FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov) or toll free at (866) 208-

3676, or TTY, contact (202) 502-8659.

Specifically, WBI Energy proposes to: (1) install two new compressor units, totaling 5,325 horsepower (HP), at its Charbonneau Station located in McKenzie County, North Dakota; (2) install a new 1,380 HP compressor unit at its Williston Station located in Williams County, North Dakota; (3) construct a new 750 HP compressor station (Tioga Station) located in Williams County, North Dakota; (4) construct approximately 2,850 feet of 8-inch-diameter pipeline located in Williams County, North Dakota; and (5) abandon in-place approximately 1,375 feet of 8-inch-diameter pipeline located in Williams County, North Dakota.

Any questions concerning this application may be directed to Lori Myerchin, Manager, Regulatory Affairs, WBI Energy Transmission, Inc., 1250 West Century Avenue, Bismarck, North Dakota 58503, by telephone at (701) 530-1563 or by email at [lori.myerchin@wbienenergy.com](mailto:lori.myerchin@wbienenergy.com).

Any person or the Commission's staff may, within 60 days after issuance of the instant notice by the Commission, file pursuant to Rule 214 of the Commission's Procedural Rules (18 CFR 385.214) a motion to intervene or notice of intervention and pursuant to § 157.205 of the regulations under the NGA (18 CFR 157.205), a protest to the request. If no protest is filed within the time allowed therefore, the proposed activity shall be deemed to be authorized effective the day after the time allowed for filing a

protest. If a protest is filed and not withdrawn within 30 days after the allowed time for filing a protest, the instant request shall be treated as an application for authorization pursuant to section 7 of the NGA.

Pursuant to § 157.9 of the Commission's rules, 18 CFR 157.9, within 90 days of this Notice the Commission staff will either: complete its environmental assessment (EA) and place it into the Commission's public record (eLibrary) for this proceeding; or issue a Notice of Schedule for Environmental Review. If a Notice of Schedule for Environmental Review is issued, it will indicate, among other milestones, the anticipated date for the Commission staff's issuance of the final environmental impact statement (FEIS) or EA for this proposal. The filing of the EA in the Commission's public record for this proceeding or the issuance of a Notice of Schedule for Environmental Review will serve to notify federal and state agencies of the timing for the completion of all necessary reviews, and the subsequent need to complete all federal authorizations within 90 days of the date of issuance of the Commission staff's FEIS or EA.

Persons who wish to comment only on the environmental review of this project should submit an original and two copies of their comments to the Secretary of the Commission. Environmental commenter's will be placed on the Commission's environmental mailing list, will receive copies of the environmental documents, and will be notified of meetings associated with the Commission's environmental review process. Environmental commenter's will not be required to serve copies of filed documents on all other parties. However, the non-party commentary, will not receive copies of all documents filed by other parties or issued by the

Commission (except for the mailing of environmental documents issued by the Commission) and will not have the right to seek court review of the Commission's final order.

The Commission strongly encourages electronic filings of comments, protests and interventions in lieu of paper using the "eFiling" link at <http://www.ferc.gov>. Persons unable to file electronically should submit an original and 7 copies of the protest or intervention to the Federal Energy regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, NE, Washington, DC 20426.

Dated: August 12, 2016.

Kimberly D. Bose,

Secretary.

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